

CAPA – Carlmont Advocates for Performing Arts

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Greetings to our new families and welcome back to those returning to Instrumental Music!

CAPA stands for *Carlmont Advocates for Performing Arts*. CAPA is an umbrella association of Carlmont parents working with Mr. DaBaldo (Instrumental Music), Ms. Tep (Vocal Music), Ms. Martin (Drama) and Ms. Secrist (Dance). I look forward to working with Mr. DaBaldo and the many students making up Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Intermediate String Orchestra, Symphony Orchestra, and Jazz Ensemble, and also look forward to meeting and working with many of you this school year. This is the fourth year for Mr. DaBaldo as Instrumental Music Teacher at Carlmont, and my first year as chair of Instrumental Music CAPA.

We are sending you this letter to ask that you fill out the following forms to assure the most productive and exciting year of instrumental music for your student at Carlmont. We hope that you will also consider making a donation to CAPA. All of these forms and information may also be found at our website – www.carlmontmusic.com:

- **CAPA registration form** - We request that each family register with CAPA this year. There is NO COST and NO OBLIGATION other than to fill out the attached survey and return it to us – please fill it out at Arena Day and turn in, or send it with your student on the first day of school. It is important to register so that we can communicate with all of you in a timely manner anytime volunteers are needed, or if there is an issue that pertains to the Performing Arts Department that you need to be aware of. You will also receive timely notice of Pep Band schedules for football games, rehearsals, performances, uniform/dress requirements, field trips, and other music program needs.
- **Photo/Internet Release Form**
- **Carlmont Instrumental Music T-Shirt Form**
- **Medical Permission Form**

The benefit to the instrumental music program of your financial and/or volunteer support is great:

- A large body of parents committed to instrumental music for their students means students perform better in the classroom and provide an advocate body at the district level for continued support for performing arts
- Your financial support in recent years has helped provide:

Musical Instrument Purchases	Music software	Music supplies
Music festival fees	CMEA Accompanists	Piano tunings
Garment bags	Instrument and equipment repair	Sheet music
Percussion equipment	Sound equipment	Tour funding
- Your hands-on support allows Mr. DaBaldo to focus on the students.

Your generous donations are more important than ever to continue helping to fund the Carlmont music program, as the State continues to make major cuts in education. Please make out checks to **Carlmont High School – please include on the check that your donation should fund the Carlmont Instrumental Music Program**. As always, donors of \$100 or more are entitled to two free tickets to the Winter and Spring Instrumental Music Concerts.

Come be a part of the CAPA team! We appreciate all who provide support of any kind to our students. We hope to see your name either on our phone or email list soon and look forward to working with you all. **Please come meet Mr. DaBaldo and myself at the first CAPA Instrument Music Meeting at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, September 16th in the Music Room. We will preview and plan for an exciting year of music!**

Sincerely,

Tatiana Cherwinski
CAPA President - Instrumental Music